

PREACHERS ARE SENT BACK HERE

Both Methodist Pastors Are Returned to the Churches in This City.

ANDERSON RETAINED

As the District Superintendent of the Buckhannon District.

MOONSVILLE, Oct. 12.—The West Virginia annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal church came to a close here this morning after the appointments had been read by Bishop Moore.

The appointments for the Buckhannon district are as follows: District Superintendent—William Anderson. Adamston—James E. Scott. Belington—G. B. Bledy. Bridgeport—P. L. Dent. Buckhannon—J. E. Bird. Buckhannon Circuit—C. E. Hamrick.

Buckhannon East Church—Richard Aspinall. Buckhannon South Church—B. W. Roberts. Camden—Adam Bird. Clarksburg—J. E. Bird. Clarksburg, Ash Chapel—H. J. Metheny.

Cleveland—J. H. Waugh. (supply). Duffy—C. H. Higginbotham. (supply).

Flatwoods—H. M. Strader. Freemansburg—B. F. Hamrick. Frenchton—L. V. Arnett. Gassaway—Paul Flanagan. Glenville—B. F. Parish.

Holy Junction—E. H. Orr. Jarvisville—H. A. L. Curtis. Junior—J. L. Marple. (supply). Lloydville—E. E. Woodruff. Mt. Clare—B. H. Shaddock. Newlon—G. G. Westfall.

Phillips—A. D. Craig. Phillips Circuit—C. W. Chenoweth. (supply).

Rosedale—C. A. Powers. Sutton—G. H. Williamson. Sutton Circuit—William E. Boone. (supply).

Tennille—J. W. Dawson. Troy—H. W. Holden. (supply). West Milford—H. W. Holden. (supply).

Weston—J. H. Hess. The laymen elected are as follows: President—C. W. Flesher. Gassaway.

Vice-Presidents—Buckhannon district, Harvey W. Harmer, Clarksburg; Charleston district, Peter Silman, Charleston; Huntington district, L. C. Anderson, Welch; Morgantown district, John R. Cole, Grafton; Oakland district, F. A. Thayer, Oakland, Md.; Parkersburg district, K. S. Boreman, Middlebourne; Roncovev district, S. S. Spers, Elkins; Wheeling district, W. O. Alexander, Wheeling. Secretary and Treasurer—William B. Matthews, Charleston.

Lloyd G. Hornor is here from Brushy Fork.

MAN IN JAIL FOR SHOOTING

Booze Parties Down the River Result in Murder of Italians.

Tony Abruzeno was brought to the county jail Monday morning by Constable Warden Stewart, from Enterprise, to await developments from a drunken row there Sunday evening by foreigners, in which he is accused of making a ferocious assault on Frank Olivero, who was shot four times in the breast, receiving fatal injuries. Tony's brother was shot in the hip and another Italian was wounded.

Also fatally shot by his fellow countrymen who left him unconscious and bleeding where he fell, Salvatore Mosco, aged 34, an Italian, was found in a dying condition at 6 o'clock Sunday evening by an American, who happened to be passing through a thicket near Middleton, a mining town on the West Fork river in the locality known as "The Bend." The entire back of Mosco's head was shot away, the weapon used by his assailant being a shot gun loaded with large shot.

TAFT STARTS

On a Continuous Campaign Tour on the Road Until Election Night.

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 12.—William H. Taft left this city at 7 o'clock this morning for a continuous campaign on the road until election night. For three days he will devote his attention to his home state. His itinerary today includes speeches at Morrow, Wilmington, Washington Court House, Circleville, Lancaster, New Lexington, Zanesville, Cambridge, New Comerstown, Canal Dover, Massillon and Akron.

DR. PAYNE TONIGHT.

Dr. C. H. Payne will address the Glasscock Republican club tonight at the court house upon the political issues of the day. A full turn out of the colored club and others is asked.

VOTES FOR UNION.

CANEA, Island of Crete, Oct. 12.—The Cretan parliament met this morning and formally voted a union of the island with Greece.

HIS BEST TRAIT



Why I am a Negro Democrat

THIRD GAME

Of World's Championship Baseball Series is On at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 12.—The Chicago and Detroit pennant winning baseball teams are battling for the third game of the world's championship series here this afternoon. That the Chicagoans with two victories already to their credit were confident was plainly shown in their conversation and manner, but the Detroiters looked dejected.

Prospective spectators showed less anxiety over securing tickets today than before at former games. It was 8 o'clock before a line in front of the general admission ticket windows began to form, but there was a good sized crowd in procession by the time the sale of tickets began.

The weather was chilly, but the sun shone brightly. Both teams take an early train tonight for Detroit where they play tomorrow.

SERVIA QUIET

And Powers Hope to Find a Friendly Solution of the Crisis in the East.

LONDON, Eng., Oct. 12.—News received this morning from storm centers in the near East confirms the belief held in London that the Powers will find a friendly solution of the crisis. Servia, it is now announced, has fallen in line with other states directly interested and is taking a more quiet view of the situation. The Powers can, therefore, continue their negotiations in the matter of an international conference without fear of interruption by an outbreak from any of the Balkan states.

THAW RECOMMITTED

WHITE PLAINS, Oct. 12.—Justice Mills in the supreme court here today recommitted Harry K. Thaw to Matetan asylum for the insane. This action was taken after Thaw's counsel had notified the court that they appealed to the state court of appeals from the decision of Justice Mills refusing a jury trial on the question of his sanity.

Some Very Pertinent Reasons Given Why a Negro Can Be a Democrat.

To make my position plain I submit the following reasons: The Republican party placed the ballot in my possession, and believing that it was an inglorious mistake I am hastening to correct it by helping my Southern white Democratic friends to take it away from me as soon as possible.

I do not believe in anybody that believes in me, therefore I do not believe in the Republican party. That it was born to abolish slavery and make a man of me is of no concern whatsoever, as I do not want to be a man and never did.

That Lincoln died a martyr's death because of his advocacy of my cause makes me think that Lincoln was a fool and a crank; I did not deserve it.

That the last state in the Union, a good Democratic state, Oklahoma, has accorded me "Jim Crow" treatment in its schools, at its telephones, in its railroads and in many other of its public places is immaterial, as the Democrats always did know what was best for my welfare. As these good Democrats of Oklahoma also saw to it that I virtually lost my right to vote, I shall ever pray for their political supremacy.

I am proud of the Democratic party. It has written into the Democratic platform of West Virginia a plank pledged to prevent the Negro from evermore being a political factor in that state; why should I not feel that I have put my trust in proper hands—the good old Democratic party?

I am a Negro Democrat because I prefer the shot-gun policies of Democratic South Carolina to the liberal spirit of Republican Ohio, where the ballot is safely safeguarded for all men, black or white.

I am a Negro Democrat because the 14th and 15th amendments to the National Constitution are Republican instruments, and I oppose their continued operation because my Democratic allies cannot gain absolute control of the country's affairs while these amendments are the law of the land. What would happen to me if these laws ever become lost to us has never been considered by me—being a Negro Democrat I am not expected to see the serious side of any matter involving the best interests of my race!

As a Negro Democrat I revere Tillman, who scoffs at my ambitions and who travels the country over advertising me as a beast and unfit for civilization.

As a Negro Democrat I regard Forester as a perennial joke. Nor am I

grateful to him for his forty years of service for me either on the field of battle or in the halls of state. What do I care for his soldierly courage of his statesmanly eloquence; neither was sincere. The fact that he is one of the nation's greatest Republicans makes the evidence of his sincerity manifest.

As a Negro Democrat let me have silent part in the company of such distinguished patriots as John Sharpe Williams and Governor Vardaman, of Mississippi, famous in the annals of their party as sleepless sentinels at the door of hope—not however to permit the entrance of the Negro thereto, but to deny him admission to the realm of opportunity and the joyful expectancy of a soon-to-be realized heritage of blessings such as all other citizens enjoy and appreciate.

I admire the style of Democracy! I don't want to be a citizen; I want to be a Negro Democrat. As a Negro Democrat my political gods are Hoke Smith of Georgia, and the noble Jeff Davis, of Arkansas. One the god of mob law, the other chief priest of riot. They are the Negro's friend. Atlanta's bloody harvest of a few months ago is an enduring mark of Hoke Smith's love for his colored brother. The genial Davis is almost persuaded that he might some day substitute Negroes for mules as beasts of burden on his Arkansas plantation. Could I be other than a Democrat having such dear friends as these?

A Negro Democrat—yes, and proud of it!

I will vote for Bryan because he is backed by my friends from the solid South. I will vote for him, because, if elected, he will be bound to conduct his administration in harmony with the wish of his solid southern constituency. I will vote for him because he has never during his political career taken a stand on a question of human rights when the Negro was a factor in it. I shall commend his attitude by my vote because his is purely Democratic doctrine.

I will oppose William H. Taft because he has absorbed his splendid political proportions from generations of liberty loving and liberty conserving forebears, and because he believes that the continuation of my citizenship privilege is an important issue of this campaign. I oppose him because he intends that I shall have every right under the law permitted to any other American, and is not afraid to go before the people with his views. I further oppose him because he is the standard bearer of the Republican party in this National campaign and I am a Negro Democrat.

In short, I am opposed to every-

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BAPTISTS HAVE A BIG PROGRAM

MISSION WORK GROWING FAST

Report of Foreign Missionary Society at Convention Shows.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Oct. 12.—Following is an extract of the report of the foreign missionary society made today to the session of the International Missionary convention of the Churches of Christ:

Gains have been made all along the line this year save in that of financial income. The hard times caused receipts to fall below those of last year, when they reached \$305,000.

The largest number of new missionaries ever sent out by the Society sailed this year, in all 24. They went to China, India, Africa, Tibet, the Philippines and Japan.

At Bolenge, Africa, in the Congo Free State, we now have a church of nearly 500 members, a Sunday school of more than 1,000 and the largest Christian Endeavor Society in the world, with 400 members. The contributions of this church for missionary purposes this year amounted to more than \$600 though the wages of the people are less than 10 cents a day.

In the Philippine Islands nearly 1,000 have been baptized during the year. In China the mission schools are besieged by applicants for admission and the hospitals by patients for treatment. One of our hospitals in China treated 36,000 patients this year. All of those patients are taught concerning Christianity.

During this year the society sold more than 5,000 missionary books and organized about 400 mission study classes. Its workers located in nearly all the great missionary fields number nearly 600.

ELKINS BRANDS

As Untrue the Alleged Interview With His Wife on Engagement.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Oct. 12.—In an authoritative statement to the Associated Press today Senator Elkins of West Virginia branded as untrue an alleged interview accredited to his wife to the effect that there was no engagement between Miss Katherine Elkins and the Duke of Abruzzi. Senator Elkins said neither his wife nor himself could give such an interview for the simple reason that it was impossible to deny something that did not exist.

Glasscock's Second Week of Campaign

Starts at Bluefield and Will Cover Many Sections of That Part of State.

BLUEFIELD, Oct. 12.—This afternoon Hon. William E. Glasscock opens the second week of his whirlwind campaign for the office of governor of West Virginia with an address to the voters of Mercer county at Princeton. Tonight he is scheduled to speak at Bluefield; from Bluefield going to Mayberry, Welch, Williamson, Wayne and Huntington, arriving in Huntington for the big rally planned for Thursday night. From Huntington he will cross over to Ravenswood, then to Parkersburg on Friday, and closing the week with an address at New Martinsville Saturday night. The third week will see him in the western Panhandle.

At every point he appeared last week he was met with the most enthusiastic and cordial receptions. There was not a single meeting but what the halls and court rooms were crowded to the limit. The largest meeting of the week was the one at Charleston, where more than 3,000 people filled the historic Wigwam. The seating capacity, estimated at 2,600, was not sufficient, more than 400 crowding the aisles. The week opened at Fairmont, where the first shot of the campaign was fired, and closed at Beckley, where more than 700 voters crowded into the court house to hear the next governor. The court room of the Raleigh county court house was packed for the meeting, despite the fact that rain had been falling for the preceding 36 hours. The dirt roads were but spas of mud and seemed impassable, but the farmers and coal miners from all the surrounding country braved the

For the Annual Sessions of the General Association of the State.

EMINENT SPEAKERS

Will Discuss Topics of Interest Along the Lines of Religious Work.

The following program has been arranged for the meeting of the Baptist General Association of West Virginia, beginning Wednesday, and closing next Monday, at Parkersburg: Ministers' Fraternal Union.

Wednesday Evening—7:30—Devotional, Rev. B. F. Caudill.

8:00—Necessary Qualities in the Pastor for Successful Leadership, Rev. George W. McDaniel, Richmond, Va.

Thursday morning—9:00—Devotional, Rev. W. L. Richardson.

9:30—The Pastor as Leader of His People in Bible Study: Paper—Rev. Bergen D. Stelle. Discussion opened by Rev. J. W. Cammack.

10:30—The Pastor as Leader of His People in Christian Beneficence: Paper—Rev. Harry R. Chamberlain. Discussion opened by Rev. C. H. Pack.

11:30—Election of officers, reports of committees, etc.

General Association.

Thursday afternoon—2:00—Devotional, the President.

2:30—Address of Welcome, Pastor Parkersburg church.

Response—President of the Association.

Annual Sermon—Rev. R. B. McDaniel.

Appointment of committees.

Thursday evening—7:30—Devotional.

7:45—Presentation of Board Report.

8:05—Presentation of Missionaries and Their Work, Rev. M. A. Summers.

8:30—State Missions Fundamental to the Evangelization of the World, Rev. C. J. Rose, General Secretary of Ohio Baptist State Convention.

Friday morning—9:00—Devotional.

9:15—Aspirations of a New Missionary, Rev. J. S. West.

9:30—Logan, an Example of Mission Work, Rev. J. C. Caw.

9:45—Mission Work and Ministerial Supply, Rev. L. B. Moore.

10:05—Baptists and West Virginia, Rev. E. J. Woolter.

10:25—A Forward Movement in West Virginia, Rev. M. L. Wood.

10:45—General Discussion.

11:30—The Denominational Paper as Related to the Work.

Friday afternoon—2:00—Devotional.

2:30—The World-Wide Situation in

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Landowner of Lewis Escapes Home Taxes

Democratic Nominee Fights Tax Reform Because He Has to Pay Proper Share

When the name of Louis Bennett was presented to the Democratic state convention he was designated as the "Landowner of Lewis."

When Louis Bennett, the "Landowner of Lewis," in his opening speech and in subsequent speeches attacked the tax reform laws, there was a reason.

When the people of West Virginia seen the following figures they will know the reason and will understand why Louis Bennett, representing the tax dodgers, has attacked with fury the tax reform laws.

Under the old tax laws Louis Bennett, millionaire landowner, was evading the payment of his just and equitable share of the taxes and the

people made up the deficiency. Under the tax reform laws, Bennett has been made to pay his just and proportionate share of the taxes upon the thousands of rich oil, gas and timber lands which he has acquired in the counties of Lewis, Calhoun and Gilmer. That's why Louis Bennett has attacked the tax reform laws.

Under the fair administration of the tax reform laws in the county of Lewis the Democratic candidate for governor has been forced to pay double the taxes he paid under the old laws. The records of Lewis county bear out these statements.

In Lewis county, the gubernatorial nominee owns thousands of acres of rich and valuable mineral lands. The following comparison shows the valuation and taxes paid by Bennett for the years 1905 under the old law and in 1907 under the tax reform laws, when he was forced to pay his proportionate share of the taxes:

Name.	District.	Acres.	1905	1907	1905	1907
Louis Bennett, Weston, Ind., 16.08 A.			425	\$ 1,050	\$ 6.39	\$ 9.22
" Weston, Ind., 3 lots			350	900	5.26	7.89
" Weston, Ind., 10.00 A.			450	1,000	6.44	9.97
" Weston Muncie, lot			350	1,000	4.38	14.26
" Weston Muncie, lot			800	2,200	10.00	28.53
" Weston, Ind., lot			300	1,800	4.35	16.59
" Collins Set mt., 51.10 A.			156	623	1.89	4.03
" Collins Set mt., 141.00 A.			831	2,115	10.11	13.68
" Collins Set mt., 965.00 A.			5,790	14,975	70.45	96.84
" Weston Muncie, 3 lots			7500	15,000	93.55	194.50
" Weston Muncie, 1 lot			500	1,400	6.25	18.15
" Weston Muncie, 1 lot			500	1,700	6.25	22.04
" Weston Muncie, 1 lot			450	1,300	5.63	16.86
" Weston Muncie, 1 lot			100	1,300	1.25	16.86
" Weston Muncie, 68.8 poles			675	1,800	8.46	23.34
Totals		1,183.18 A.	\$19,177	\$48,263	\$240.66	\$491.76
		12 lots				
		97.83 poles.				